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- 1. It is currently rumored in East Berlin that the former Field Marshal Friedrich Paulus, who recently returned to Germany from imprisonment in the Soviet Union, is slated to replace Wilhelm Pieck as President of East Germany.
- 2. This rumor has been circulated at the editorial office of the <u>Tribune</u> (FDGB), where, however, it is given no credence by the veteran Communist members of the staff.

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